

BIG SHIP MAY STRIKE SHOALS IN THE SENATE

It Is Believed That the Reaction-
ists Will Try to Defeat
the Measure.

PLANS CALL FOR GIANT BOAT

Congressman Williams Does All in
His Power to Delay Legislation—
Millions of Dollars Are Appropriat-
ed For Three Departments—Sena-
tor Burton's Sentence Affirmed.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—The naval program providing for the construction of one great battleship of a tonnage equal to any afloat or now building, will meet opposition in the Senate, but not of such stubborn character as is thought to endanger its passage.

There are a few members of the Senate committee on naval affairs who have expressed themselves as opposed to the building of "the great unwieldy type of the Dreadnaught," now being constructed for the navy of Great Britain.

The battleship will be greater than the Dreadnaught. The tonnage must be as great as the biggest battleship now planned. This is estimated at about 20,000 tons. Its speed must be at least 21 knots and its draft will be about 28 feet. It is in the armament that it will surpass the Dreadnaught. According to the plans for the giant defender for the British navy it will have ten 12-inch guns.

\$100,000 BRIBES GIVEN.

Congressional Committee Hears
About New York Grafters.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—Additional inside light was thrown on insurance methods in New York today by Representative James A. Goulden, of that State, before the House committee on the judiciary considering the Ames bill for the regulation of insurance in the District of Columbia.

Mr. Goulden is general agent of the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company in New York.

"Why," he said, "it was a well conceded fact, that to be a senator at Albany was worth anywhere from \$50,000 to \$100,000 a year, and that the money came largely from insurance companies. This is no secret. Every New York man knows it. I know it. I know it well."

Touching on the subject of campaign contributions Mr. Goulden said that his company had been coerced into giving \$10,000 to a national campaign committee in 1896.

NO NEW POST OFFICE.

Lamb Thinks Congress Will Appro-
pate Money Next Year.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—House committee on public buildings and grounds will not recommend the erection of an \$800,000 postoffice at Richmond.

Senator Martin may succeed in having the public buildings bill amended in the Senate so as to provide for Richmond, but it is not likely the House will accept the amendment.

Captain Lamb said today he believed Congress would make the appropriation next year.

WILLIAMS A FILIBUSTER.

Minority Leader Does All in His
Power to Delay Legislation.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—The minority leader, Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, having received enthusiastic encouragement from his party in his course of obstructing legislation began a systematic opposition to bills in the House today.

NEW TREATY WITH MEXICO.

Pact Signed by Secretary Root and
Ambassador Casasus.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—Secretary Root for the United States and Ambassador Casasus, for the Mexican government, today

signed a treaty regulating the use of the waters of the Rio Grande, which, if approved by the Senate will remove what has been for twenty years past a source of friction in the relations of the two countries.

Millions Wanted for the Canal.
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—The detailed estimates for all expenses incident to the construction of the Panama Canal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1907, were sent to the house today by Secretary Taft. The estimates aggregate \$26,348,281.

Virginia Postmasters Nominated
WASHINGTON, May 21.—The President sent to the Senate today the following nominations:
Consuls General: Earnest A. Mac-
Florida, at Copenhagen.
Commissioner General of Immigration
Frank P. Sargent, Illinois.
Postmasters: Virginia—Naola,
James L. Davis; Randolph—James
F. Eggs; Virginia City—Thornton
Cecper; Zoltman—Ella C. Zoltman.

Health Men Meet.
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—The Association of Presidents and Secretaries of State boards of health met here today in annual convention, to consider questions of sanitation and the greater cooperation of state boards of health throughout the country. The subject today was tuberculosis.

Fleet to Get Post Office.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—It is understood that the President will tomorrow withdraw the name of Thomas Fox to be postmaster at Ashland and send to the Senate the name of Postmaster Fleet for reappointment.

Democrats to Get Busy.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—The Democratic Congressional committee will open headquarters this week in this city and begin work for the fall campaign.

\$29,815,259 Appropriated.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill was passed by the Senate today. It carries appropriations aggregating \$29,815,259.

FIRE LADDIES PAY VISIT TO MAYOR AND MRS. BUXTON

Handsome Chair Presented by Mr.
Read on Behalf of Department.
Band Serenades.

Mayor and Mrs. Samuel R. Buxton were presented with a handsome arm chair by the members of the fire department, at this home, 312 Fort-ninth street, last night. Mr. J. Winston Read, chairman of the fire department and water committee of the city council, made the presentation address on behalf of the firemen, at the same time inviting Mr. and Mrs. Buxton to attend the play "Nan the Mascot," which will be presented at the Academy of Music by amateurs tonight for the benefit of the Eagle Engine Company.

Mayor Buxton responded in a graceful little speech expressing appreciation of the gift, and accepting on behalf of himself and Mrs. Buxton the invitation of the company to attend the play. It was announced last night that a special box at the Academy will be reserved for Mayor and Mrs. Buxton.

The Eagle Engine Company's brass band serenaded after the presentation ceremonies.

TWO CENT FARE LAW FAILS TO WORK OUT IN OHIO

Three-cent Rate Charged by all Rail-
roads But One on Inter-
state Tickets.

CINCINNATI, May 21.—The two-cent fare bill, passed by the last legislature, is observed by only one railroad in the State in interstate traffic.

Between points within the State they all charge the new rate of two cents per mile, but to points outside the full three-cent fare is charged by each road except the C. & D. From Toledo to Cincinnati the fare is 2 cents a mile, but if the traveler buys a ticket to Newport, Ky. it will cost him three cents a mile or practically \$3.50 to ride from Cincinnati across the river to Newport.

Various passenger agents give various reasons for this difference. Some claim the Ohio law does not apply to interstate travel, while others say it has been impossible to average the new schedules, but that as soon as it can be done the two-cent rate will be charged on all traffic.

In the meantime the traveling public will have the pleasure of paying the old rate of three cents on interstate travel, except when on the C. H. & D.

AMERICAS FOMENTING REVOLUTION IN CUBA

Residents of the Isle of Pines
are Determined to Gain Poss-
ession of the Country

TROUBLE BREWING DOWN IN PANAMA

Marines 600 Strong Will Preserve
Order if the Politicians Try to
Start a "Rough House"—Barbary
Pirates Attack a Steamer Bearing
United States Flag.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—According to a statement by S. H. Pearcey, a large land owner in the Isle of Pines, a revolt against Cuba authority in this island will occur in the near future unless the United States resumes control over it.

Mr. Pearcey and his brother, J. L. Pearcey, called at the White House today, but the President declined to see them and they were referred to Secretary Root.

Mr. Pearcey declared that he did not come to Washington to threaten the President with a revolution in which hundreds of American lives would be endangered but simply to tell him the facts. He said that Americans now own nine-tenths of the property in the island which they purchased solely on the assurances of President McKinley and the war department that the island was American soil.

Conditions, he says, have reached a critical stage and the majority of the Americans have stated they will stand opposition no longer. Mr. Pearcey said that these American citizens have received many offers of aid from persons in the United States.

MARINES TO GUARD CANAL.

Revolutionists to Be Held in Check
by Sea Soldiers.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—More than 600 marines will confront the Liberal leaders of the Isthmus of Panama in case they attempt to promote riots and revolution at the time of the election in Panama on June 20.

Although the canal zone is under the secretary of war, there is no indication that the war department will have any troops near the isthmus at the time of the approaching election, and Secretary Taft must rely upon the marine corps to protect the canal zone.

Only 200 marines are on the isthmus at present. These are in command of Major C. G. Long, more than 400 marines are on the Columbia, which is on its way to Guantamo and will be within easy call in case the politics become stormy in Panama.

The Marblehead, which is now sailing southwards down the Mexican coast and is only a few days from the isthmus, carries only a small detachment of marines.

AMERICAN SHIP HELD UP.

Barbary Pirates Take Moorish Tribes-
men Off the Steamer.

MELILLA, MOROCCO, May 21.—The steamer Manolita, bound from Tetuan, Morocco, for this port, and flying the American flag, has been attacked by Moors, who took away some of her passengers.

The Manolita's machinery got out of order and she was obliged to approach the coast. While lying off Penon De Velez, about half way between Tetuan and Melilla, a number of Moorish fishermen swam off from the shore and boarded the Manolita, compelling her crew to hand over to them a number of Moorish passengers belonging to the Beni-Barrangel tribe.

Found Horse and Buggy.

Messrs. Oldewurte and Regan, whose horse and buggy suddenly disappeared from in front of their home, 3213 Washington avenue, early Sunday morning, found the rig behind the stables, where it is kept, several hours after the animal disappeared.

AMERICAN VICE-CONSUL KILLED FROM AMBUSH

Russian Subjects Assassinate Brit-
ish Subject Who Acted for
United States.

CZAR MUST PUNISH MURDERERS

Lawless Element on the Black Sea
Kills Man Who Has Had No Part in
Their Plots and Counter Plots—Sov-
essel Convicted by Court Martial to
Death.

(By Associated Press.)

BALOU, May 21.—W. H. Stuart, the American vice consul, was shot and killed last night. The assassin escaped and the police have no clue to his identity.

Mr. Stuart was a British subject and one of the largest ship brokers and exporters of Baloum during the revolutionary troubles of last fall, his life was many times threatened by longshoremen. At Christmas a party visited Mr. Stuart's office and compelled him to give them \$1,500 under the guise of a holiday gratuity for dock laborers. He was greatly respected.

AMBASSADOR CONFIRMS REPORT

State Department Lets Matter Rest
With Russia.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 21.—The State department received confirmation of the murder of W. H. Stuart, the American vice consul at Baloum, Russia, in a despatch from Ambassador Meyer at St. Petersburg. The State department officials do not believe that it requires action at their hands at this moment. It is not doubted that the Russian government will make every effort to capture the assassins and mete out full punishment to them.

Baloum is situated upon the East coast of Black sea and has a population of 30,000 chiefly Turks and Armenians.

STOESSEL CONDEMNED.

Defender of Port Arthur Found Guilty
by Court Martial.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 21.—It is rumored that the military court which has been investigating the surrender of Port Arthur and the battle of the sea of Japan has condemned to death Lieutenant-General Stoessel, who commanded the Russian forces at Port Arthur, and Rear-Admiral Nebogatoff, who commanded one of Admiral Rojdestvensky's squadrons.

Assassins Throw a Bomb.

KALIOZ, RUSSIAN POLAND, May 21.—A second attempt on the life of Count Keller, a colonel of dragoons and nephew of Lieut. Gen. Count Keller, who was killed July 29, 1904, during the war with Japan, was made today by a Jewish revolutionist. Colonel Keller received thirty wounds. He will recover.

Peasants Killed Out of Revenge.

LIBAU, May 21.—In the district of Tsklakens today two peasants were killed and their six year old son was wounded and their house set on fire by revolutionists out of revenge.

ELABORATE PREPARATIONS FOR ELK'S DAY AT PINE BEACH

Governor Swanson Will Be Introduc-
ed by Attorney B. B. Semmes.
Five Thousand Expected.

The Elks of Tidewater Virginia are making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the State lodges of Elks at Pine Beach Thursday and from present indications the meeting will be one of the greatest of its kind ever held in this section.

The prime object of the meeting is the formation of a State Grand Lodge. All of the lodges in the State have appointed special committees on the matter and those committees will meet at Pine Beach Thursday afternoon to look into the advisability and feasibility of such a move. Local Elks seem confident that the State Lodge will be formed and they believe that its organization will be a big step toward the betterment of the lodges of Virginia.

Governor Swanson to Speak.

Governor Claude A. Swanson, a member of the Danville Lodge, will deliver an address in the theatre at Pine Beach at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon. He is heartily in favor of the organization of a State lodge and

it is probable that the greater part of his speech will be devoted to that topic. Attorney B. B. Semmes, of this city, will introduce Governor Swanson and addresses will be made by a number of Elks from all parts of the State.

After the speaking there will be a baseball game near the pavilion between a nine representing the Newport News and Hampton lodges of Elks and the team of the Norfolk and Portsmouth lodges. There will also be a match pool game and bowling contest between teams of those lodges.

Prizes will also be awarded to the fastest Elk, the leanest Elk, the tallest Elk and the shortest Elk in attendance.

It is expected that fully 5,000 people will be at Pine Beach on Elks' Day. The local lodge will send over a large delegation and Hampton, Norfolk and Portsmouth lodges will be well represented.

The proceeds of the day's outing will be donated to charity.

REMOVING THE CRANE.

Trestle to Be Torn Down When
Ferry Boat Is Launched.

The work of removing the electric crane from the top of ship trestle No. 1, at the navy yard, is progressing rapidly and it is thought that the crane will be a thing of the past within the next ten days.

As soon as the crane is removed the trestle will be torn down so that the work of digging out drydock No. 3 can be completed.

The terry boat Ithica, now building beside the trestle, will be launched Saturday.

BATTLESHIP LOUISIANA IS DELIVERED TO GOVERNMENT

General Manager Post Turned New
Vessel Over to Admiral Harring-
ton at Norfolk Navy Yard.

The new battleship Louisiana, the first of the 16,000 ton battleships building for the United States navy to be completed, was turned over to the navy department at the Norfolk navy yard by General Manager Post, of the local shipyard, about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

In tow of four Chesapeake & Ohio and two other tugs, the Louisiana left her moorings at the shipyard at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. General Manager Post was in charge and a few picked mechanics from the shipyard force were on board. The party returned to the city on the Chesapeake & Ohio tugs last night.

The Louisiana was accepted by Rear Admiral Harrington as the representative of the navy department. Captain Albert Reynolds Couden, who is to command the new ship, was present when Admiral Harrington accepted her.

The completion of the Louisiana ends the battleship building race between the local and the New York navy yard, where the Connecticut is now under construction. The local shipyard won the race both in time and cost of construction. It will be at least two months before the Connecticut is completed and she will have cost the government about \$600,000 more than the Louisiana. It is also thought that this yard will win the contest on speed, as the Louisiana on her official trial developed a speed of 18.82 knots an hour, which is a high mark for the Connecticut to equal.

The Louisiana should be commissioned within the next three weeks as she is entirely complete except for the installation of her secondary battery. Her crew is now assembled at the Norfolk navy yard.

W. K. VANDERBILT HERE.

Young Millionaire's Yacht at Yard
for Slight Repairs.

W. K. Vanderbilt's turbine yacht Tarantula, with the young millionaire and his wife, arrived in port yesterday morning about 10 o'clock. An accident to the Tarantula's machinery made it necessary for her to put in here for slight repairs.

Mr. Vanderbilt desired to return to New York at once and arranged with Superintendent of Terminals H. E. Parker for a special train. A Chesapeake & Ohio locomotive and a parlor car left here at noon with Mr. and Mrs. Vanderbilt.

The Tarantula went to the shipyard and will remain there for several days, undergoing slight repairs. The yacht left New York for Hampton Roads Sunday.

METHODIST BISHOPS TO ACT ON AMUSEMENTS

Conference Comes to a Close Af-
ter a Successful Meeting
in Birmingham.

FORTY OLD HYMNS ARE RESTORED

Presbyterians Stand by the Old Songs
of Praise—Complaint Against the
Virginia Synod Receives Attention
—Plural Marriages Cause the Re-
monstrance.

(By Associated Press.)

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., May 21.—The fifteenth session of the General conference of the Methodist Episcopal church south, came to a close today.

The features of the morning were the reading of the answer to the protest of delegates against the plan adopted looking to a revision and re-statement of the church creed, and the adoption of a resolution striking out the paragraph of the discipline relating to worldly amusements and empowering the college of Bishops to draw a new paragraph.

An amendment was made to the report of the committee on Sabbath observance which was adopted calling on congress to require that the gates of the Jamestown Exposition be closed on Sunday.

PRESBYTERIANS MAKE REFORMS

Forty Old Hymns Ordered Put Back
in the Hymnals.

GREENSVILLE, S. C., May 21.—The active hard work of the general assembly of the Southern Presbyterian church began today. Dr. S. S. Laws, against the synod of Virginia was made the order for the afternoon session. Dr. Laws claims that when a man is converted, whose country legalizes more than one wife, the man should annul all marriages excepting the first one. The synod of Virginia on the contrary believes it unwise that such a man should annul any of the marriages.

The assembly voted that forty old hymns be put back in the hymn book.

BROTHERHOOD FORMED.

Presbyterians Organize a Body to Ad-
vance the Church.

DES MOINES, IOWA, May 21.—The Presbyterian general assembly today organized a society under the name of "Presbyterian Brotherhood," whose purpose shall be to bring the men of Presbyterian churches more closely into sympathy with the church.

TOM YOUNG MUST FACE NINE WARRANTS CHARGING LARCENY

Former Real Estate Dealer Will Be
Arraigned Before Justice
Brown Today.

Nine warrants charging petty larceny probably will be issued against W. Thomas Young before his case is called in the police court this morning. The authorities are convinced that the forgery charge cannot be proven and will withdraw this warrant.

It is alleged that on the night of March 31, last, Young, knowing that he had only \$1 to his credit in the bank, signed his name to seven checks for \$10 each and had them cashed by his friends. Larceny charges will be preferred on account of each of these transactions, and Messrs. J. P. Fraley and B. H. Connel will make charges of larceny because Young is believed to have secured money on a note signed by them after the note was supposed to have been torn up.

No effort to have Young released on bail has been made. The prisoner takes the situation very cheerfully. A number of his friends were admitted to his cell yesterday.

Blind Man Arrested.

John Ashby, a blind beggar, was in the police court yesterday morning charged by Octavia Bryant with failing to pay his board bill. Justice Brown dismissed the case, but told the man he must either stay out of this city or pay the bill.